

Nike Hercules Missile Battery Summit Site,  
Battery Control Administration and Barracks Bldg.  
Anchorage Division  
Anchorage  
Alaska

HAER NO. AK-18-A

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PHOTOGRAPHS  
WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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| STATE<br>ALASKA   | COUNTY<br>ANCHORAGE DIV.<br>FAIRBANKS DIV. | TOWN OR VICINITY<br>ANCHORAGE & FAIRBANKS                     | HAER<br>AK<br>2-ANCH<br>24A- |
| HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME)<br>Nike Hercules Missile Battery (US Army)   |  | .HAER NO.<br>AK-18A   |                              |
| SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE<br>Battery Control Administration and Barracks<br>Sites: Summit, Bay & Point at Anchorage; Sites: Mike, Peter, Jig, Love & Tare, Fairbanks   |  |   |                              |
| COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES)<br>Site Summit, Mt. Gordon Lyon, Anchorage   |  |   |                              |
| DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE)<br>1958, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers   |  | ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)<br>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers |                              |
| SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE)<br>The Alaska Nike Hercules Missile batteries were the only Nike antiaircraft installations in the United States that fired missiles from their tactical sites; the other Nike batteries fired practice rounds from White Sands Missile Firing Range. The Alaska Nike sites were additional unique in terms of engineering accomplishments designing a system that would function in subarctic conditions. |  |   |                              |
| STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)  |  |   |                              |
| MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)<br>Reinforced Concrete  |  |   |                              |
| SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)<br>T-shaped; Barracks - Admin. 232'x42' and mechanical 66'x80'  |  |   |                              |
| EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE<br>Frame with asbestos cement shingles. Mechanical room is of concrete block construction.  |  |   |                              |
| INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)<br>Missile racks and a sled transported the ready Nike Hercules missiles to launch racks on apron in front of the launch structure.   |  |   |                              |
| MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES<br>None  |  |   |                              |
| PRESENT CONDITION AND USE<br>All Alaska Nike batteries have been inactivated and abandoned. Sites Jig, Love and Tare have been demolished.  |  |   |                              |
| OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE<br>This is typical to all sites. See AK-20 for drawings of site TARE (Fairbanks)   |  |   |                              |
| SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)  |  |   |                              |
| U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Real Estate Division  |  |   |                              |
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